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NAVAL ACADEMY CLASSES FACE BIG REDUCTION

Adoption of Hughes Dis-
armament Plan Will Mean
1,400 Less Midshipmen.

TO WAIT ON PARLEY

No Legislation On This Subject Is
Expected To Be Introduced Before
Next Spring.

Washington, Nov. 16.—The cadet personnel of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, now 2,415, would be cut to 800 or 1,000, with corresponding reduction and reorganization of the executive staff of the institution under the plan proposed by Secretary Hughes. The reduction in the number of midshipmen would be effected by a curtailment of the Congressional appointments to the academy.

Under the law as it now stands each Senator and Representative in Congress is permitted to have five cadets of his selection at the academy. If the Hughes plan is adopted Congress would immediately enact legislation reducing the Congressional prerogative of Annapolis appointment to two instead of five.

In this way the supply of officers for the diminished navy would be largely reduced, for all cadets at Annapolis are potential officers of the navy. There is already talk at the Capitol of legislation midshipmen, but thus far there is no disposition manifested to take such action until the conference shall have reached an agreement and the other powers have exchanged ratifications of the agreement.

It was predicted by one of the Administration leaders in Congress today that it was extremely unlikely that there would be any legislation growing out of the armament conference before next March or April, and not even then unless the powers agreed to accord on the reduction of armament.

Thus far, while naval leaders in Congress have quietly been canvassing the effect of the American proposal on the Naval Academy and the naval personnel, there is no disposition to oppose any cutting down of the number of the midshipmen that members of the two houses may be interested in the vasty broader phases of the American proposal, and even the question of dampening the ardor of prospective naval officers for a "career" in the navy does not cut any figure in their consideration of the proposal. They say the number of midshipmen, in the event of the adoption of the program, would be reduced to anywhere from 800 to 1,000, with an annual graduating class of 200 or 250, who, with those promoted from the non-commissioned ranks of the navy, would furnish the regular annual replenishment of officers for the navy.

With the reduced cadet corps would follow retrenchment of the academy staff, which probably would be taken care of by transfers to other posts in large part.

Other sweeping changes that probably would follow in the wake of an agreement on the Hughes proposal would be: Reduction of the navy to about 50,000 enlisted strength.

Reduction in number of officers generally. Reduction of the civilian personnel of the navy, including navy yards and other shore stations. Shifting of many of the older and perhaps some of the younger men of the navy to civilian positions.

A. H. S. To Stage Show

On Friday and Saturday of this week the Juniors and Seniors of the A. H. S. will stage a unique show—a show that will have a laugh, or rather a series of laughs, all the way through. To see this play will add about ten years to your life and such an opportunity should not be neglected, as it may never come again.

The proceeds of the show are to defray athletic expenses. Look for the advertisement in this paper and come out!

Real Estate Transfers

Deeds of conveyance for the following pieces of property today were placed on record in the office of the clerk of the court: M. Underwood and wife to Percy W. Pickford and Andrew D. Porter house and lot 6, block 24, section 4, Rosemont; M. B. Harlow to Walter Fritz a lot on the north side of De Chantel street west of the old corporation line; John T. Harrison and wife to William Campbell house and lot at the southwest corner of Wythe and Patrick streets; William P. Woolls to Charles W. Thomas house and lot on the east side of Henry between Cameron and Queen streets.

The Man In Chains

Voluntary Collection Ordered Returned to Donors—Actor Has \$6.82 Left.

A man giving the name of George L. Hess, who says he is from Salisbury, N. C., early this afternoon gave an exhibition of unchaining himself before a large throng of persons at the corner of King and St. Asaph streets. Voluntary contributions followed in profusion and the police then stepped in. The pot contained exactly \$620.37.

A large crowd followed Policeman Magner when he took Hess to police headquarters. Some of Hess' audience appeared indignant that the man should be taken in custody and others simply came along merely out of curiosity to see what the outcome would be. Anyhow, the throng swarmed into police headquarters. Mayor Duncan was sent for.

Policeman Magner explained the case. The mayor decided that such tricks could not be done and directed that where money was involved the money at hand be turned over to those who had contributed who wanted it returned. There were many who asked for their money back, although the show was over and Hess had done as promised. Then there were a number who after getting their money returned it to Hess as he left headquarters.

According to the spectators Hess permitted himself to be chained hand and foot and in short order he freed himself from the chains much to the amusement of the spectators.

After all who desired to get their money had obtained it Hess had \$6.82 left and then he obtained a couple of dollars additional after he left headquarters from persons who witnessed his act. The distribution of the pot was made by Police Sergeant Wilkinson.

BAND CONCERT

Bible Class Secures Additional Talent For Concert Friday Evening

Miss Ina Russell, of Washington, a specialist in Southern dialect readings, has been secured by the Westminster Bible Class to supplement the entertainment of the band at the Westminster Building on Friday evening of this week. Miss Russell is a splendid entertainer, and will add much to the already excellent program prepared for the evening.

Police Commissioners Meet Tonight

A number of matters of importance will be considered by the board of police commissioners at the regular monthly meeting of the board which will be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the office of Mayor Duncan. At this meeting charges that have been referred against members of the force it is stated will be presented for consideration.

K OF C EUCHRE

A progressive euchre party will be held in the Knights of Columbus Club rooms on this Friday evening at 8 o'clock. This is the first function in the new club rooms to which the friends of the order have been invited, and those who will attend the party are not only assured a pleasant evening, but they will have an opportunity to observe how ideally the Knights of Columbus are situated in their new quarters.

W. M. P. Desmond Dies

William M. P. Desmond, twenty-one years old, died at 1 o'clock this afternoon at the Episcopal Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital where he had been under treatment for the past six weeks. He was recently operated on for abscess on the brain. Mr. Desmond was unmarried and is survived by his mother, Mrs. Mary Desmond.

The deceased was employed as secretary of subsidiary lines of the Southern Railway Company with headquarters in the general offices of the Southern Railway Company in Washington. He was a graduate in law of the Georgetown University. Mr. Desmond was a member of the Fitzgerald Council No. 459, Knights of Columbus. The deceased enjoyed a wide circle of friends here who will regret to hear of his death.

Mr. Desmond lived at 1024 Cameron Street. The body will be taken to Lynchburg, Va. for burial.

ENTERTAINMENT

First Series Tomorrow Night In Young People's Building

A fine entertainment is promised by the National Concerters in the Young People's Building tomorrow night at eight o'clock.

This will be the first entertainment of the Lyceum given for the benefit of the Woman's Missionary Society, M. E. Church South. If you did not secure a season ticket you can pay at the door fifty cents.

Don't miss the first and you will surely see the balance.

STATE TROOPS ARE ORDERED TO IOWA CITY

Action Taken After Strikers
Attack Packing Plant.
25 Injured.

RIOTING IN CHICAGO

Police and Non-Union Drivers At-
tacked By Strikers With Clubs and
Missiles.

Des Moines, Iowa, Nov. 16.—Two companies of Iowa National Guard were ordered by Gov. N. E. Kendall to report for duty at Ottumwa, where a strike of employees of the John Morrell Packing Company has been in progress for nearly a month.

The troops were ordered following word from the county sheriff, county attorney and the Mayor of Ottumwa that the situation was beyond their control.

Sheriff George Giltner informed the governor that he had employed every available man to serve as deputies, but that these were unable to handle the situation.

Twenty-five employees and other persons were injured today at the plant of the packing company when a mob attempted to break through a line of pickets to get into the plant. T. H. Foster, vice president of the company, and Ernest Manns, superintendent, were among those struck by flying missiles. Neither was hurt seriously. Men on their way to work were pulled from cars and forcibly restrained from entering the building. Foster was one of those who joined in the appeal to the Governor for troops.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Riots, general disorder, slurrings and stabbings and the burning of wagons, trucks and their contents, marked the strike day of the teamsters' strike here. The police department was kept on all day answering riot calls. Three drivers were so badly beaten and cut that they were sent to hospitals. Two of them may die. One of the drivers slugged and stabbed on the opening day of the strike is also near death.

All of which, according to the employers, means that Chicago will be an "open shop" for teamsters hereafter and that no further dealings will be had with the unions.

Several small concerns operating on a scale demanded, and their wagons, bearing large signs proclaiming this fact, are permitted to pass through the streets. All others are the targets for stones, bullets, bombs and other missiles, and when they attempt to operate without police protection the drivers are dragged to the street and unmercifully beaten.

Some of the larger concerns sent out their trucks in caravans under the convoy of police. Even this plan failed, as the mobs would blockade the street, cut the tires on trucks and the harness on horses. The police came in for harsh treatment, being knocked from motorcycles by stones. The mounted police had better success. They did not hesitate to ride into the jeering mobs and swing their clubs freely, but while they were thus engaged other mobs would overturn trucks and wagons and set them on fire.

Lost \$50 Claimed By Two

Peyton Ballenger and Seymour
Slaughter, The Latter Colored,
Are Claimants

The ownership of a fifty dollar bill lost Saturday morning came up in the police court. The case will find its way to a civil court it was stated after the hearing. Seymour Slaughter, colored, lost an envelope containing \$50.05 near King and Alfred streets, representing his pay which he had just received at Potomac yards.

A son of Peyton Ballenger also lost \$50 at about the same place. Both were in envelopes. The envelope containing Slaughter's money bore his name.

Thomas Wallace, colored, found an envelope containing \$50.05 and he had gone but a short distance when Peyton Ballenger called him and he turned the money over to Mr. Ballenger when the latter made known his loss.

Wallace dropped the envelope and later came back and got it and he said it bore Slaughter's name. Mr. Ballenger, however, refused to give the money to Slaughter. This resulted in the case being called for trial in court today at the instance of Slaughter. Attorney Carl Budwesky appeared for Slaughter and F. G. Duvall for Mr. Ballenger.

Mr. Budwesky expects to take the case before civil court for final disposition. In the meantime Mr. Ballenger retains the \$50.

VIRGINIA NEWS PARAPHRASED

Wytheville.—Governor elect E. Lee Trinkle, of Virginia, has just received an invitation to attend the conference of governors in Columbia, S. C., the opening session to be held on December 5, 1921. This will be a meeting of the governors of the various states to consider governmental problems. Mr. Trinkle has also received an invitation to address the Virginia Society of New York in New York City some time during the month of December. He could not state positively whether or not he would be able to accept.

Norfolk.—Indictments alleging a conspiracy to defraud the government were returned Saturday in federal court here against three civilian officials of the Norfolk navy yard. Those named in the indictments were William B. Aydelotte, chief clerk to the industrial manager; Henry Pile, yard sanitation inspector, and Oliver Bright, captain of the yard police. Action of the grand jury in this matter followed an extensive investigation by department of justice agents into alleged irregularities in disposing of government property at the yard. The three men under indictment are accused of conspiring to defraud the government of funds derived as proceeds from the sale of scrap wood and lumber in the yard.

Cape Charles.—James Smith, 22 years old, an agent for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, residing in Cape Charles, died at the home of his mother, Mrs. James E. Smith, of Onancock, Va., early Saturday morning, as the result of swallowing rat poison which was mistaken for medicine. Smith took poison in the office of the insurance company here one week ago. He had hovered between life and death since that time. He was well known on the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

Norfolk.—Four pennies, all he had, and he gave them to the Red Cross, that's what a little colored boy did. He went into the Bank of Commerce building Saturday morning and gave his savings to Mrs. J. B. Stanard, who was in charge of the Roll Call booth. In the crowd and the excitement the little fellow left before his name could be learned. Now Mrs. Stanard wants to find who he is and she would like to have him call at her home, 221 West Twelfth street. She's got "something nice" for him.

Norfolk.—An increase of 25 cents in the tax rate and reductions in salaries that range from 10 per cent in his own downward to 5 per cent in salaries between \$2,000 and \$3,000 are City Manager Ashburner's, chief recommendations for meeting city government expenses next year that will be more than \$500,000 greater than they were during the present year.

Lynchburg.—Mrs. H. Oscar Blankenship, of Big Island, who was hurled through the windshield of an automobile late Saturday in an accident at Big Island, is a patient at the Memorial Hospital here, with her throat cut from ear to ear through the windpipe into the tongue. Blood transfusion was resorted to save her life. Several volunteers were declined because tests showed the wrong type of blood. Finally physicians in the operating room gave the blood the woman needed to save her life.

Richmond.—Attorney General Jo Lane Stern announced Saturday that Governor Westmoreland Davis had named Captain R. L. Purdon, commanding the Howitzer Company, Second Regiment, at Chatham, aide-camp on his staff. Captain Purdon was injured in action overseas with the Forty-seventh Infantry, and since his discharge has been organizing the National Guard companies in the state.

Norfolk.—Arthur Smith killed two bears in the Hodges Ferry section of Norfolk county last week, one of them weighing 295 pounds and the other 105 pounds. They were shot at a point between the Hodges Ferry and the Virginia highway. Mr. Smith said bears are plentiful in Dismal Swamp this fall, and that they are forced to the outer edge of the swamp in search of water.

Danville.—\$200,000 bond issue is proposed by the council of South Boston, the money to be used in taking up notes on street improvement work, the carrying out of a sewerage program and the purchase of a new site for a high school.

Bible Thought for Today

THE SECOND COMMANDMENT: — Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments. — Exodus 20: 4-6.

PLAN PROPOSED FOR TEN YEAR NAVAL HOLIDAY

U. S. Naval Torpedo Station
At Alexandria Will Be
Affected.

MAKE OTHER THINGS

Drive Of Organized Labor To Use
All Such Plants for Manufacture
of "Engines of Peace."

Washington, D. C., Nov. 16.—A drive by organized labor was under way today to convert all Government naval plants to the manufacture of "engines of peace" should a "ten-year naval holiday" be declared.

An army of 60,000 workers and \$250,000,000 worth of equipment are directly involved in the project. The "holiday," labor men asserted, would throw 42,000 men out of work immediately with probably 25,000 more within a year. Of this number 30,000 would lose their positions at once in private shipbuilding plants. The drive, launched by the International Association of Machinists, has already been recognized by the Government, it was stated. Director of the Budget Charles C. Daves, it was pointed out, has already requested department heads for estimates of work which could be done for the Government at its own factories.

Under the machinists' plan, which is supported by all labor, the navy yard plants would be utilized to manufacture mail trucks, airplanes, dredging machines, and irrigation engines for reclamation work, as well as water power machinery.

Private shipbuilding yards would be struck a crippling blow by the "naval holiday," according to authorities here. Six private yards would have to close, throwing 30,000 men out of work. These are located at San Francisco, Tacoma, Quincy, Mass., Philadelphia, Newport News, Va., and Sparrows Point, Md.

Fourteen Government plants, all employed now on "instruments of war," could be immediately used in fashioning "engines of peace." Five yards now making fighting equipment have machinery ready for instant use in peace service. These are located at Charleston, W. Va.; Watervliet, N. Y.; Newport, R. I.; Alexandria, Va., and Washington.

They now make heavy guns, torpedoes and armor plate. Seven great battleship yards could be ready for "peace work" in a short while. These are the navy yards at Portsmouth, N. H.; Norfolk, Va.; Boston, New York, Mare Island, Cal.; Philadelphia and Charleston, S. C. These yards, it was stated, would concentrate first on dismantling the battleships "scrap ped," but would also be utilized under labor's plan in building tractors, steam shovels, irrigation engines and the like.

Mail trucks, the plan provided, could be made at Mare Island, Washington, Newport, and Alexandria. The same plants could manufacture car wheels, axles, and even airplanes, with slight changes in present equipment.

The Charleston, W. Va., plant would devote its whole personnel to making projectiles. Repairs to merchant marine would also occupy all coastal yards.

Government arsenals are included in the peace plans. These, located at Rock Island, Ill.; Frankfort, Pa.; Springfield, Mass.; Watervliet, N. Y.; Watertown, Mass., and Picatinny, N. J., would add the manufacture of mail trucks to their present output.

Steam shovels for irrigation use and widening canals and river channels, machinery for reclaiming swamps and similar "heavy work" could be done at Mare Island, Charleston, S. C., Boston, and New York under labor's plan.

Water power machinery for establishing "second Niagaras" throughout the whole country could be manufactured, without much change, in the plants at Norfolk, Philadelphia (Hog Island), and Boston, it was said.

First Grade Teachers at Home To Patrons

On Friday afternoon, November 18, from 2 to 4 o'clock, Mrs. L. P. Woodward, of the Washington School and Misses Nannie Davis, Anne E. Moncre, and Elizabeth King, of the Lee School, will be at home to the patrons of their afternoon schools in their respective school rooms from 2:00 to 2:45. The guests are asked to encourage their children by visiting them at their work. At 3 o'clock the children will be dismissed and the parents will gather at the Lee School Building for a social hour and for informal discussion of any matters which they wish to suggest. Light refreshments will be served. If parents realize how much it means to their children for them to visit them at their work, every family will be represented. At another time it is hoped to give an opportunity to the patrons of the morning first grade to see their children at work.

"Y." Meeting Thursday

Large things frequently develop from small beginnings. This is the history of the Y. M. C. A. in Alexandria. About two years ago a small committee of public spirited citizens undertook to organize an Association in this town. About seventy-five contributors furnished the budget for the first year.

A general secretary was employed and the work begun which has for so long been needed for the boys and young men of the community. The work has been conducted without a building and practically without equipment, but has been carried on through the schools, churches, Sunday Schools, Clubs, etc., with an astounding amount of work accomplished.

Through attendance campaigns in the Sunday schools these have almost doubled in attendance; organized work for boys with a definite Christian training program has resulted in six troops actively at work; organized work in the railroad shops resulted in a splendid delegation going from the shops here to the International Railroad Conference at Richmond, and a Sunday School base ball league with five teams organized by the Association played all summer to thousands of enthusiastic fans.

Lenten services were held in many of the shops and factories last spring. Several delegates attended the State Y. M. C. A. convention last year; a ladies auxiliary organized by the association has initiated and carried on at its own expense work for women and girls that is meeting a community need of an invaluable nature.

A summer camp of thirty boys gave these young "Pioneers" their first opportunity to spend ten days under canvas with definite training in Bible study, first aid to the injured, nature study, gymnastic training, etc., while six delegates attended the older boys conference at Lynchburg, resulting in a Bible study class of young men in the high school with one of the professors in charge.

Thrift week was observed last year at pastors at the request of the Association on this most important subject and five sermons were preached by local, special motion pictures were shown and literature distributed. The Pioneers practically unanimously adopted the weekly savings plan. Six religious meetings were held in a downtown theatre to which men of every creed felt welcome and attended in large numbers.

A Teacher training class for the Sunday Schools with an enrollment of ninety-eight was conducted with one of the best teachers procurable in charge. Free motion pictures have been shown weekly to boys at the Chamber of Commerce and hundreds have availed themselves of the opportunity to see educational films. These astounding figures are taken from the records of the local "Y." Men's meetings, six with an attendance of 1230; 14 athletic meets; 41 committee meetings with an attendance of 434; 92 health talks to 4415 men; 158 general talks to an audience of 115,988, or 212 addresses to 20,433 listeners; 38 base ball games to 17,100 fans; 14 socials with an attendance of 1797, and 133 visits to Sunday Schools.

53 gymnasium classes with an attendance of 1233; 82 motion pictures shown to an audience of 7565; 1280 calls made in the interest of community betterment; 13 Bible classes with an attendance of 349. Besides this work for men and boys by the Association, the Ladies Auxiliary has initiated and carried on community work for the women girls and girls, in addition to the assistance they have been in the other work as well: 21 sewing classes with an attendance of 869; cooking classes of 12 sessions with an attendance of 128; while 53 have attended their dressmaking classes and 45 a class in home nursing, the latter having just begun this fall. There will be a special meeting in the interest of the local Y. M. C. A. at the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow evening and State Secretary, M. W. Lee, of Richmond, will be the principal speaker.

UNIT ORGANIZED

Woman's National Foundation To
Have Branch in Alexandria

There was a large and enthusiastic response from the limited number of invitations sent out by Mrs. Morris L. Horner for the organization of the Woman's National Foundation in Alexandria yesterday afternoon. This meeting dealt entirely with organization, and yesterday, November 15, was the organization day all over the country. Mrs. Horner is chairman of this unit and other officers elected were, Miss Helen Calvert, secretary, and Mrs. John Hunton Foster treasurer.

Plans were formulated for bringing in a larger membership and all women who are interested in this movement or who are willing to be informed of its advantages and purpose are requested to meet on Tuesday afternoon, December 6, at 3 o'clock in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce at which time there will be an interesting speaker from the National Headquarters. A most cordial invitation is extended to the women of the town.

HUGHES PLAN IS ACCEPTED WITH MINOR CHANGES

Principle Is Acceptable.
Other Powers Show Their
Hands for First Time.

CHANGES IN DETAILS

Secret Meeting of Far East Commit-
tee Today Brings That Question To
The Front.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Both reassuring oratory, accepting, in principle, the Hughes proposal of a 10-year naval holiday, and the initial outcropping of reservations and modifications desired by the foreign delegations were the fruits today of the second open session of the Conference on the Limitation of Armament.

Following the informal session Great Britain, France, Japan and Italy have come forward and, with more or less directness, proposed changes. It is the first real showing of hands in an international game with world peace, as well as national security, as the stakes. No modification yet suggested to the Hughes plan is sufficiently radical to menace the success of the Conference.

Great Britain, for instance, would reduce the submarine tonnage below the 90,000 proposed by Secretary Hughes. It also would not scrap all navy yards, but have each country maintain during the holiday period one yard that would be capable of turning out one ship annually.

Japan wants a bit more allowance for herself under the five three ship tonnage clause of the Hughes plan. She also would have no more fortifications built in the Pacific.

France and Italy seek more capital ship tonnage for the protection of their outlying possessions. All are regarded as matters capable of adjustment in the greater scheme.

Meanwhile Secretary Hughes projected the Far Eastern question at the virtual outset of the Conference by calling a meeting of the committee delegated to handle this issue. This committee will assemble in secret session tomorrow. The Conference work thus begins to pass into the hands of committee rather than open session.

The armament committee held a meeting this afternoon and mapped out its important work. Col. Theodore Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, was named chairman of the subcommittee on the technical points involved in the limitation of armament. The other members are Admiral Beatty, Vice Admiral DeBono, Vice Admiral Acton and Vice-Admiral Kato.

With the committees beginning work, the open sessions of the Conference are adjourned subject to the call of Chairman Hughes. While these committees will work behind closed doors, it is asserted on behalf of all of the nations that this does not mean "secret diplomacy." There will be full publicity, it is said, and the committee work is necessary for the intimacy of comment about the tables as the limitation of armament program moves forward to a conclusion.

Probable modifications of the Hughes schedule, as advanced by the nations, mainly concern details and not the foundation of the well worked out American proposition. France, in addition to her reservations to the naval limitation proposals, promises to project in the near future the problem of land armament.

Lord Riddell, meeting newspaper correspondents, stressed Great Britain's antipathy to the submarine and suggested the submarines tonnage for that country and the U. S. should not exceed for each more than 45,000 to 50,000, certainly not more than 60,000.

Representative Britten, of Illinois, ranking Republican of the Naval Affairs Committee, introduced a resolution in the House directing the navy to stop construction on 15 ships, including nine battle ships and six battle cruisers, pending a conclusion of the arms Conference.

Another development outside of the Conference proper was the picking of Continental Hall, where the Conference met, by women demanding amnesty for so-called "political prisoners" sentenced during the war. The demonstration was staged by The American Civil Liberties Union.

Dollar Day a Success

Dollar Day was one of the biggest and best ever. This was the unanimous verdict of the participating merchants. From the opening of the stores this morning they were crowded with shoppers and also early this afternoon.

The shoppers were well pleased with the offerings and they bought heavily. The merchants again demonstrated that more real value for one dollar can be obtained in Alexandria than elsewhere and conclusively proved that it pays to shop in Alexandria.